109-III East Eighth St.

ALBION P. WHITNEY, Manager BIG SHOWS 1 DAILY

WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY MATINEE, MARCH 29

STOCKFIELD and WARD

In the Society Comedy Playlet,

"Training a Husband."

HAPPY FORD WILSON

"The Assassin of Sorrow," Singing, Dancing and Talking Comedian.

MUNSON and MUNSON

In their Original Sketch, "The Reporter and the Prima Dona.'

FRANK MARSHALL

"School Days."

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Elephants In India The Blacksmith's Revenge

Matinee 3 p. m. Every Day. Evening Performances, 7:45, 9. Amateur Carnival every Fri-day night.

Two performances every evening except Saturday and Sunday. On those evenings three shows at 7:15, 8:15, 9:15.

Ladies' Souvenir Matinee Tuesday and Friday. Children's 5c Matinee Satur-days. Entire change of pro-gram each Sunday.

10c All Seats 10c

NOVELTY

COMMENCING MAR

PLAY THE FAMOUS SULLIVAN-CONSIDINE SHOWS

Selection-"Wonderland"....Victor Herbert

JACK AND BERTHA RICH

Singing-Dancing Specialty

MISS LILLIAN PARFITT

Illustrated Song, Presenting "When It's Moonlight on the Prairie, Darling Mary."

DE VOY AND EVANS

Eccentric Acrobatic Novelty

LOLA FAWN

Singing of Coon Melodies

Mr. F. N. IRWIN

Illustrated Song, Presenting "California is the Place for Me"

WILL KING

In Hebrew Comedy

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

At the Grand.

Tonight-Al G. Field's Greater Min-Sunday—"A Knight for a Day."
Thursday—"Big Hearted Jim."
Friday—Blanche Walsh. Saturday, April 4—Lillian Russell Wildfire."

At the Novelty. Vaudeville

At the Majestic. Readick Stock company.

At the Olympic. Vaudeville

At the Aurora.

At Kansas City. Francis Wilson will be at the Willis Wood for three nights beginning March 30 and on April 2, 3 and 4, "The Gingerbread Man" will be the attraction

Al G. Field and his minstrels will be at the Grand all of next week.

Pickings from Puck is next week's attraction at the Auditorium.

Al G. Field's Minstrels.

Al G. Field and his Greater Min-strels gave a matinee at the Grand this afternoon and will present the show there again this evening. It is a min-strel performance well worth any-

strel performance well worth anyone's time and money.

Many theatrical managers depend
entirely upon the popularity and ability of a single star to carry to success
a production with the inevitable result
that the performance given is uneven
and not satisfactory. The contrast between the finished performance of the
star and that of the inferior cast of
the other players is so pronounced
that the entire production is condemned. Al G. Field will not present a
production unless the performers are ed. Al G. Field will not present a production unless the performers are of equal ability. There can be no invidious comparisons made of the respective ability of the members of the company, for each one is a star and the brilliancy of each blends into an equality that is in perfect equipoise with the high standard of excellence Mr. Field ever maintains with his greater minstrel show and more particularly with this year's new and magnificent offering which necessitates in its presentation the greatest galaxy in its presentation the greatest galaxy of premier singers, comedians, dancers and specialists ever seen in one or-

"A Knight for a Day."

The establishment of a new long dis tance record for theatrical entertainments in Chicago is a matter of in-terest to many, especially to the man-ager who may be so fortunate as to own the entertainment. But if you knew all the effort and the energy that had to be put forth to make that new had to be put forth to make that new record, and if you knew that 24 girls in that entertainment had to climb 500 miles of stairs in 500 performances in helping to make that record, you might be still more interested.

"A Knight for a Day" which will be presented at the Grand on Sunday night, not only has the long distance

record for Chicago in the number of performances, but it has the long distance record in many other lines, of which those who sit in front of the curtain know little or nothing. Eddie Redway, the comedian who has the principal comedy role in the musical comedy since it opened a year ago, has been forced to slide down a 12 foot ladder nearly 500 times, and the bruises sustained in that slide were too numerous to count. No less than six ladders have been used to make people laugh in the now famous and funny "elopement scene" at the end of the first act. Mr. Redway while playing the part used 32 pairs of trousers. Court plaster has played an important, if unseen, part in this scene, but the drug store man on the corner says the drug store man on the corner says he did not keep count of the number of books purchased since the show was first put on. There are 13 rungs in the ladder used in this scene, which means that the comedian has had to hit 6,500 rungs in order to get the laughs. rungs in order to get the laughs.
Elsie Herbert is the comedienne with
this good show and she and Mr. Redway make a team that is hard to beat.

Blanche Walsh on Friday.

Blanche Walsh, than whom the American stage knows no more brilliant actress, is announced in Wagenhals and Kemper's production of Jacob Gordin's tremendous drama, "The Kreutzer Sonata," at the Grand on next Friday night with the original cast and production as first seen at the Manhattan theater. New York. Critics have agreed that the characterization Miss Walsh has given the principal role in this stirring play takes rank with the best creations the American stage has known in a decade. Ever forceful, Miss Walsh lends to her role a strength and a virility unequalled by any other player of modern roles and Blanche Walsh, than whom the strength and a virility unequalled by any other player of modern roles and her success has been well earned. The cast was selected because of the particular qualification each and every player had for the role for which they were cast. The production, in keeping with the high standard long since established by Wagenhals and Kemper, is complete to the most minute detail.

Lillian Russell in "Wildfire." Lillian Russell made her debut achieving fortune and fame as a prima donna. She will appear at the Grand on Saturday next in a racing comedy by George Broadhurst and George V. Hobart. "Wildfire" is the name of a race horse owned secretly name of a race horse owned secretly by Mrs. Henrietta Barrington. Her husband died, leaving her nothing but a racing stable. For various reasons, important among which is the engagement of her sister to the son of a reformer, she must not let it be known that she is the real owner of "Wildfire," and from this situation the complications ensue. Being a racing comedy, it is natural that there should be a love affair.

A disreputable bookmaker schemes to throw the big race in which "Wildfire" is entered, and on which Mrs. Barrington has staked all she possesses. She learns it through a stable

Barrington has staked all she pos-sesses. She learns it through a stable boy, and also that the signal to the jockey is the waving of a handker-chief from the window of the trainer's quarters. She permits the book-maker to make love to her as she gives the prearranged signal un-known to him over his shoulder. Her horse wins the race, but as she was misled in regard to the character of one of her wooers, she rejects him and accepts the other fellow. Before it is too late she learns the truth and the curtain falls with the widow at the telephone asking the right man to come back and claim her heart

and hand.

Miss Russell has been making a tremendous hit with this show during her tour this season. There is no doubt that it will prove to be one of the most entertaining theatrical per-formances that have been presented in Topeka this season and that is saya good deal.

Sembrich at Kansas City. That the Sembrich concert which is to take place at the Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo., the evening of April fourth will prove the most April fourth will prove the most successful musical event that has ever taken place in Kansas City is now an assured fact. The orders for seats for the concert have broken all records and in order to accommodate the out of town patrons it has been arranged to take care of their orders in advance of the regular ticket sale which opens Monday, March 30 at Jenkins music store in Kansas City. Owing to the unusual demand, ten seats will be the limit allowed on any seats will be the limit allowed on any one order. The programme selected by Mme. Sembrich promises to prove exceedingly popular. Besides several big arias, the great artist will be heard in five English songs, including "Love Hath Wings" by Rodgers and "The Years of Spring" by Smart. Mme. Sembrich will be supported by Ellison Van Hoose who is considered the greatest American tenor. He recently appeared in Kansas City with the Metropolitan Opera company as the principal tenor. company as the principal tenor. Micael de Zadora the Polish pianist, will be the accompanist. Zadora appeared in Kansas City many years ago as an infant prodigy. The scale of prices has been arranged as low as is consistent with the enormous expense of the attraction. Box seats expense of the attraction. Box seats will be \$3, orchestra, \$2.50; balcony, \$2, and gallery, \$1. Mail orders when accompanied by check or money order will be filled in the order of receipt. All orders should be addressed to Mr. O. D. Woodward, Willis Wood theater, Kansas City.

A quincet consisting of three girls

Macmillen to Play Here.

Francis Macmillen, the American violinist, who will give a concert at the Grand in the near future, seems to have startled all London during the past social season by his marvellous dexterity with the bow and the fiddle. In addition he created a sensation by playing in a darkened hall, the only light in the house being focussed on the player as he stood on the stage. The English critics, almost to a man, applicable the results of the Novelty. A quintet consisting of three girls and two boys, known as "The Surprise Party," will probably be the leading act on the bill which S. R. Wells has secured for the Novelty for next week's secured for the Novelty for next week's entertaining vaudeville. They have been meeting with unusual success during a trip through the larger cities of the west and come to the Novelty direct from an engagement in the player as he stood on the stage. In addition he created a sensation by playing in a darkened hall, the only light in the house being focussed on the player as he stood on the stage. The English critics, almost to a man, applauded the plan, declaring that it added much to the enjoyment of the concert in that the attention of the entire audience was for the whole time riveted on the artist. iveted on the artist.

Stock at the Majestic.

It is said that a better stock company has never been seen in Topeka than the one Mr. Readick brings to the Majestic on Sunday. There are fifteen artists in it and they recently played a long run in Detroit, and are familiar with the best productions which will be given during their stay here. "A Man of Mystery" with appropriate scenary and enough wanted his to please all the presented on Sunday matthe be presented on Sunday matine to the beautiful society." In which the gowns worn by the five women in the cast are revelations of the dressmaker's art. Moderate prices have been decided on for the engagement. The seats for the evening perment. Stock at the Majestic.

SUNDAY NIGHT

Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

NOTE-This attraction comes direct from the Willis Wood, Kansas City, where the prices were 50c to \$2.

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Dainty Music, Effective Grouping and Charming Features

The "Eight Berlin Dancing Mad-Caps"

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Song Hits and Choruses Galore

Musically and **Electrically Unequaled**

8:15-Tonight-8:15 America's Favorite Indoor Show

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Prices 25c to \$1; Mat. Children 25c; Adults 50c.

Thursday, April 2 KLINT AND GAZZOLA'S Sensational Melodrama

BIG HEARTED JIN Prices 25c, 35c, 50c,

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In Jacob Gardin's Startling Drama the

KREUTZER SONATA

Prices: \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 25c. Boxes \$2.00

Seats ready Wednesday, April 1st

Saturday Night, April 4th

Mr. Joseph Brooks presents

A New Racing Comedy by George Broadhurst and George V. Hobart

Seats on Sale Thursday

Prices: Boxes and Orchestra \$2.00; Orchestra Circle \$1.50; Balcony \$1,

MAJESTIC THEATRE Sunday Matinee and Night March 29th 75c; Gallery 50c.

Also Monday and Tuesday

THE READICK COMPANY FIFTEEN MEMBERS

Will present the four-act sensational comedy-drama

"A Man of Mystery" Note—This is absolutely a high class organiza-tion, made up from the permanent city stock theatres and is not a traveling company.

Each play beautifully staged, elegant wardrobe, plenty of vaudeville, moving pictures, illustrated

Curtain up at 8:15, down at 10:30. Prices 10, 15, 20 and 25 cents; box seats, 35 cents. Daily matinee, 10 cents for every one.

Wednesday, April 1st, "THE MOTHS OF SOCIETY."

There are three or four other acts on next week's bill which have the reputations for being good ones. Among them are Jack and Bertha Rich, in a them are Jack and Bertha Rich, in a singing and dancing specialty; Devoy and Evans, eccentric acrobats; Will King a Hebrew comedian; and Lola Fawn, a singer of coon songs. For the illustrated songs Miss Lillian Parfitt will sing "When it's moonlight on the prairie, Mary, darling," and Mr. Irwin will sing "California is the place for me." There will also be two series of good moving pictures.

the Olympic back in its old place as one of the popular amusement places in the city.

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Prominent on next week's bill is the team of Munson and Munson. They put on a sketch called "The Reporter and the Prima Donna," during which they indulge in some singing and plano playing that is said to be exceptionally good. Other acts on the bill include Stockfield and Ward in a comedy sketch called "Training a Husband;" and Happy Fred Wilson, a singing, dancing and talking comedian. Frank Marshall will sing "School Days" for an illustrated song and two series of moving pictures called "Elephants in India" and "The Blacksmith's Revenge" will be show.

A Change at the Aurora

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Straight vaudeville will be the order of things at the Aurora from now on, beginning with the matinee on Sunday afternoon. The combination stock and vaudeville show, with which this house was reopened last week, was not satisfactory to the management although it seemed to take pretty well with the audience. But perhaps it might have become a little tiresome as the stock company could not be said to have been of the best. But there will be no more stock at this house and Henry F. Schuldt, the manager, declares that the vaudeville he will present there will be of the highest class.

That these claims of his will be

Admission 10 and 20 Cents Three Shows Daily 7:15 2:15 8:45 Children's 5c Matinee Saturday

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Program--Week of March 29 **OVERTURE**

The Jolly Aurora's by the Aurora Orchestra. LEROY & MAPES

In Their Own Musical Comedy. ILLUSTRATED SONG

Monetry by Miss Elizabeth Gray. CALLAHAN & CANE

Selected Sketch.

SAXAPHONE SOLO The Holy City by Henry F. Schuldt.

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 UPPER BOXES
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 30c

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 Mat, Saturdays
 ENTIRE BALCONY
 10c

ALL WEEK DAY MATINEES 10 CENTS